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Remarks

Claims 17 is pending. Claims 1-14 are canceled by this amendment without waiver or prejudice due to a previous restriction requirement. Claims 15, 16 and 18 are canceled by this amendment without waiver or prejudice.

The provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claim 15 is rendered moot by the cancellation of claim 15.

Claim 17 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Pease (U.S. 2001/0028025). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claim 17 recites a non-contact measurement and alignment device for determining at least two settings for operation of a power tool that includes a graphical user interface for user operation of said power tool for indicating at least two of a power tool setting and a wireless networking assembly coupled with the graphical user interface, the wireless networking assembly for establishing a communicative link between the graphical user interface and a second computing system, where the wireless networking assembly enables a user of the non-contact measurement and alignment device to operate the power tool remotely.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection because Pease fails to describe or suggest a wireless networking assembly that enables the user of a non-contact measurement and alignment device to operate the power tool remotely.

Instead, Pease only describes that a portable measurement device may transmit data to an external source and that the controller, which controls the operation of the portable measurement device, may receive remote activation commands from an external source. Specifically, Pease states:

"The portable measurement device 10 may optionally include an external communication port 28 (e.g., RS-322, USB, wireless port, etc). It is envisioned that the controller 20 may transmit measurement data via the communication port 28 to an external source. In addition, the controller 20 may also receive remote activation commands or updates to the software algorithms via the communication port 28 from an external source."

See Pease at [0022].

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Furthermore, the controller 20 in Pease does not operate the power tool. The controller 20 controls the operation of the measurement device 10.

"The controller 20 controls the overall operation of the measurement device 10. For instance, the controller 20 interfaces with the non-contact sensor 22 to facilitate acquisition of image data for a measured object. In particular, the controller 20 may issue power on/off commands and/or power setting commands to the light source associated with the non-contact sensor 22. The controller 20 may also issue power on/off commands, measurement trigger commands, exposure commands, resolution setting commands, and/or data transfer commands to the imaging array associated with non-contact sensor 22.

Furthermore, the controller 20 interfaces with the image processor 24. The image processor 24 is adapted to retrieve image data from the non-contact sensor 22 and to convert the image data into measurement data for the measured object. The image processor 24 includes one or more algorithms for converting the raw image data into measurement data as is well known in the art. It is envisioned that a different algorithm may be used depending on the type of measurement being taken (e.g., width of an object, angle between two adjacent surface, etc.) by the device."

See Pease at [0019]-[0020].

Thus, Pease does not describe or suggest a wireless networking assembly that enables the user of a non-contact measurement and alignment device to operate the power tool remotely.

For at least these reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 17.

Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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